SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K/A

(Amendment No. 1)

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): November 15, 2019

ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 001-15749

(Commission File Number) **31-1429215** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

3075 LOYALTY CIRCLE COLUMBUS, Ohio 43219

(Address and Zip Code of Principal Executive Offices)

(614) 729-4000

(Registrant's Telephone Number, including Area Code)

NOT APPLICABLE

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the Registrant under any of the following provisions:

□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act

□ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company \Box

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. []

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

| Title of each class | Trading symbol | Name of each exchange on which registered |
|--|----------------|---|
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | ADS | NYSE |

EXPLANATORY NOTE

On November 15, 2019, Alliance Data Systems Corporation ("Alliance Data") issued a press release providing an update on its Card Services segment and filed a Current Report on Form 8-K furnishing the press release. Alliance Data issued a revised press release to correct the "30 days + delinquencies – principal" amount that was incorrectly published as 1,102,305 to properly reflect 1,012,305. Alliance Data is filing this Amendment No. 1 on Form 8-K/A to furnish the revised press release. Except as described above, all other information in the original press release remains unchanged.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On November 15, 2019, Alliance Data Systems Corporation issued a revised press release providing an update on its Card Services segment. A copy of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Document Description

<u>99.1</u> Revised press release dated November 15, 2019 providing an update for the Card Services segment.

104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

The information contained in this report (including Exhibit 99.1) shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Alliance Data Systems Corporation

By: /s/ Joseph L. Motes III Joseph L. Motes III Executive Vice President, Chief Administrative Officer, General Counsel and Secretary

Date: November 15, 2019



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ALLIANCE DATA PROVIDES CARD SERVICES PERFORMANCE UPDATE FOR OCTOBER 2019

COLUMBUS, Ohio, November 15, 2019 – Alliance Data Systems Corporation (NYSE: ADS), a leading global provider of datadriven marketing and loyalty solutions, provided an update on its Card Services segment.

In conjunction with the release of the Company's Master Trust Monthly Noteholder's Statement, the Company is releasing similar metrics for the overall total managed portfolio. The Master Trust data represents a subset of the Company's total managed portfolio, and the Company believes the information presented below provides a more complete view of the Card Services segment.

| | month ended mo | | For the ten nonths ended etober 31, 2019 ands) |
|---|--------------------|----|---|
| Average receivables | \$ 17,660,268 | \$ | 17,095,006 |
| Year over year change in average receivables | 9% |) | (2)% |
| Net charge-offs | \$ 96,515 | \$ | 866,104 |
| Net charge-offs as a percentage of average receivables (1) | 6.6% | 1 | 6.1% |
| | | | |
| Active clients - average receivables ⁽²⁾ | \$ 17,598,053 | \$ | 16,756,744 |
| Year over year change in active clients - average receivables (2) | 14% |) | 13% |

 $^{(1)}$ Compares to 5.7% and 6.3% for the month and ten months ended October 31, 2018, respectively. The seasonal increase was

expected and consistent with our net charge-off guidance of approximately 6% for 2019.

⁽²⁾ Excludes non-strategic clients.

| | _0 | As of October 31, 2019 (dollars in th | | As of October 31, 2018 thousands) | |
|--------------------------------------|----|---|----|---|--|
| 30 days + delinquencies - principal | \$ | 1,012,305 | \$ | 913,703 | |
| Period ended receivables - principal | \$ | 17,046,512 | \$ | 15,754,672 | |
| Delinquency rate | | 5.9% | | 5.8% | |

Alliance Data Systems Corporation November 15, 2019

About Alliance Data

Alliance Data[®] (NYSE: ADS) is a leading global provider of data-driven marketing and loyalty solutions serving large, consumerbased industries. The Company creates and deploys customized solutions, enhancing the critical customer marketing experience; the result is measurably changing consumer behavior while driving business growth and profitability for some of today's most recognizable brands. Alliance Data helps its clients create and increase customer loyalty through solutions that engage millions of customers each day across multiple touch points using traditional, digital, mobile and emerging technologies. An S&P 500, FORTUNE 500 and FORTUNE 100 Best Companies to Work For company headquartered in Columbus, Ohio, Alliance Data consists of businesses that together employ over 10,000 associates at more than 50 locations worldwide.

Alliance Data's card services business is a provider of market-leading private label, co-brand, and business credit card programs. LoyaltyOne[®] owns and operates the AIR MILES[®] Reward Program, Canada's most recognized loyalty program, and Netherlandsbased BrandLoyalty, a global provider of tailor-made loyalty programs for grocers. In July 2019 Alliance Data completed the sale of its Epsilon[®] business to Publicis Groupe.

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Forward-Looking Statements

This release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Forward-looking statements give our expectations or forecasts of future events and can generally be identified by the use of words such as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "estimate," "intend," "project," "plan," "likely," "may," "should" or other words or phrases of similar import. Similarly, statements that describe our business strategy, outlook, objectives, plans, intentions or goals also are forward-looking statements. Examples of forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements we make regarding strategic initiatives, our expected operating results, future economic conditions including currency exchange rates, future dividend declarations and the guidance we give with respect to our anticipated financial performance.

We believe that our expectations are based on reasonable assumptions. Forward-looking statements, however, are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the projections, anticipated results or other expectations expressed in this release, and no assurances can be given that our expectations will prove to have been correct. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, factors set forth in the Risk Factors section in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the most recently ended fiscal year, which may be updated in Item 1A of, or elsewhere in, our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q filed for periods subsequent to such Form 10-K. Further risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, factors are undertaken, and whether the anticipated benefits of such transactions can be realized as well as whether or if any share repurchases are completed.

Our forward-looking statements speak only as of the date made, and we undertake no obligation, other than as required by applicable law, to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, subsequent events, anticipated or unanticipated circumstances or otherwise.